

The Big World of Animal Agriculture Products



America's food supply is safe, affordable and abundant but also vastly misunderstood by the consuming public. It is the intention of Kansas Farm Bureau to improve the public's knowledge about the importance farming and ranching plays in our quality of life.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Animal Agriculture

Animal agriculture is essential to preserving our nation's security and vitality. America's farmers and ranchers produce the safest and most affordable food in the world while maintaining high standards of animal well-being. (Animal Agriculture Alliance, www.animalagalliance.org)

Livestock and poultry are the two main categories that fall under animal agriculture, however there are exceptions to every rule. Fish, and many other species also can count as agriculture, though in our area they are less common.

Animals are used in many different products that make up the various areas in our life. Some examples include food, clothing, medical products, and recreation. Animals can be produced directly to fulfill these needs such as food, but also by-products from the animals are produced indirectly.

Farmers and ranchers take great care and pride in producing quality and healthy animals. It is important to acknowledge the hard work these individuals have done to produce quality products for the world to enjoy.

ACTIVITIES:

Where is Animal Agriculture in Your World Power Point Presentation

The Where is Animal Agriculture in Your World Power Point is designed to be used before the students complete the Where in Your World Journal assignment. The presentation should help the students discover some alternative things animals are used for besides food. Use choral responses to have the students say the words that correlate. Examples: "My milk comes from a dairy cow" or "My bacon comes from a pig."

Where in Your World Journal

After you have completed the presentation, hand each student a copy of the Where in Your World Journal handout. Allow the students to write about all the ways animal agriculture affects their lives. You can give the students a time limit if you wish, or you can let them write until they are finished.

After everybody has completed the assignment, ask for volunteers to share their journal with the class. It would be good to have three to four students share.

LEVEL: Grade K– 3

SUBJECTS/STANDARDS:

Science K – 2
Standard 6: Science in Personal and Environmental Perspectives
Benchmark 1: *The student will demonstrate responsibility for their own health.*

Standard 3: Life Science
Benchmark 1: *The student will develop an understand of the characteristics of living things.*

STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES:

The students will:

- Journal about the ways livestock animals influence their lives.

MATERIALS NEEDED:

- Animal Ag Power Point
- Copies of Journal Handout

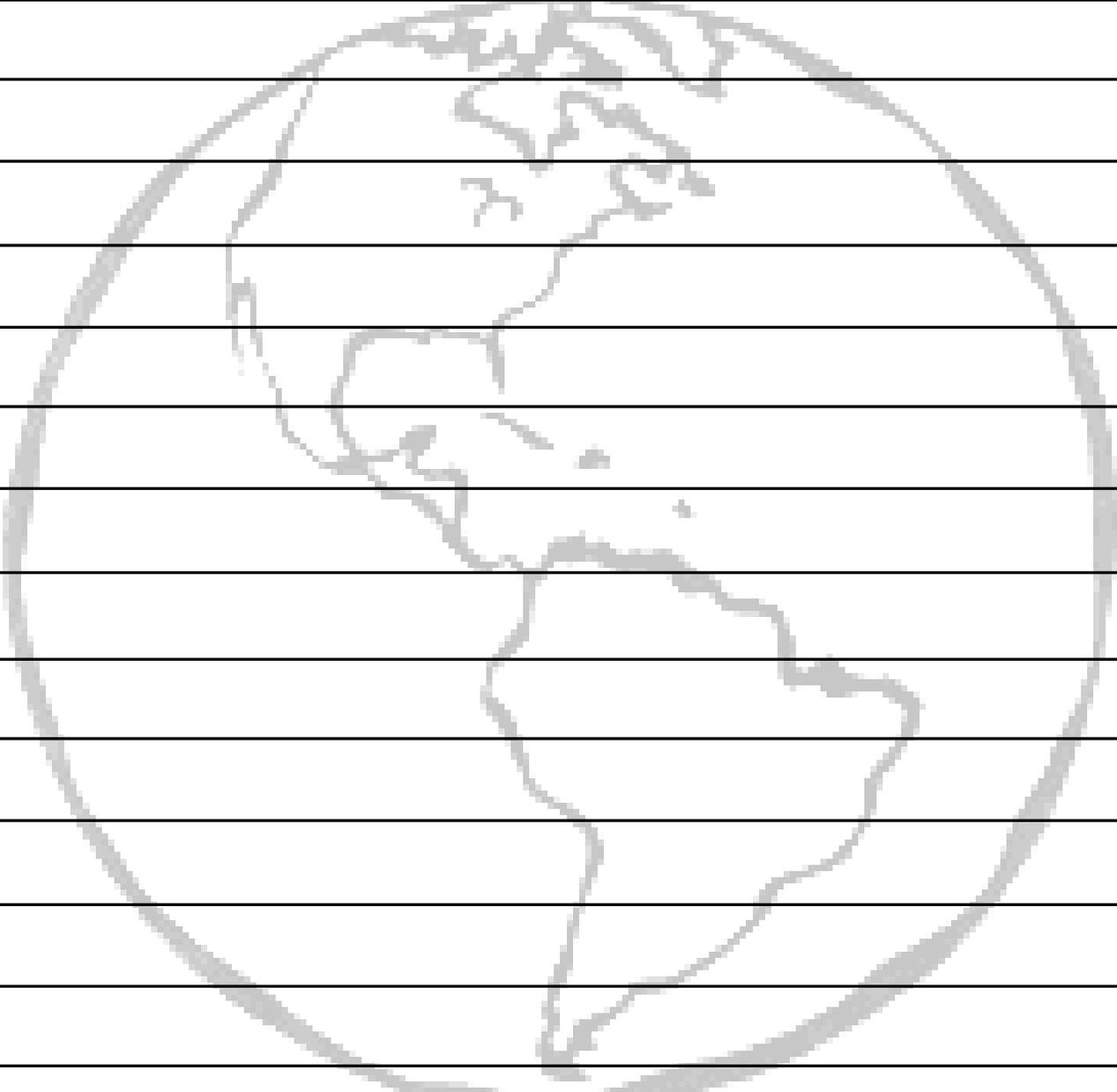
ESTIMATED TEACHING TIME:
40 minutes

Where in Your World?

Name _____

Directions:

On the lines below, write about the different ways animals are in your world. Some examples may include drinking milk, playing with a football or basketball, or wearing warm wool socks.



A large, faint outline of a globe centered on the Americas, overlaid with horizontal writing lines. The globe shows the continents of North and South America. The writing lines are evenly spaced and extend across the width of the page, providing a guide for where to write answers.